

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 14-15 are pending.

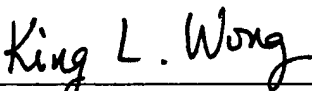
The amendment has been made to cancel non-elected claims which were withdrawn from consideration.

Conclusion

With the above amendment, applicants respectfully submit that the application is in a condition for allowance.

In the event that this paper is deemed untimely, applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fee deficiency can be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 100725-00017.

Respectfully submitted,



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